Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to Figs. 1 and 5-10, which replace the original sheets including Figs. 1 and 5-10. In Figs. 1 and 5-10, the spacing of the letter "I" is corrected. In Fig. 10, element 19 is deleted.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets

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REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

In the application, claims 1-15 are pending. In the office action, the Examiner has allowed claims 1-15. However, the Examiner has objected to the drawings. As such, the application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters and prosecution as to the merits is closed under *Ex parte Quayle*.

In amended Figs. 1 and 5-10, the spacing of the letter "I" is corrected. In amended Fig. 10, the element 19 has been deleted.

If the Examiner has any questions, the Examiner can call the Applicant's attorney at the number below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 2/7/06

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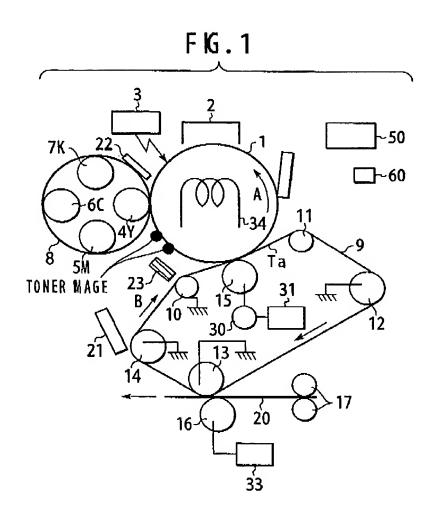
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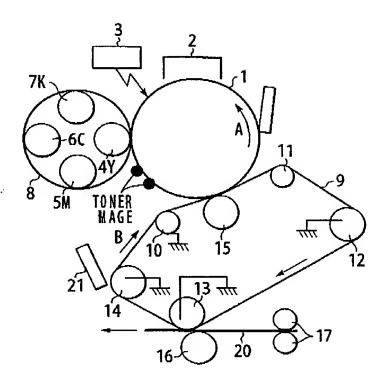
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FIG. 5 PRIOR ART



The spacing of the letter "I" is corrected throughout the drawing.

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FIG. 6 PRIOR ART

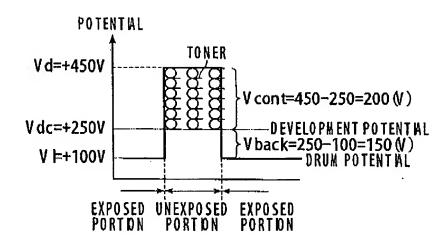
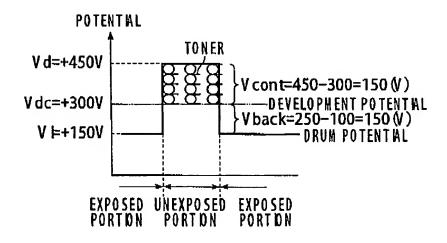


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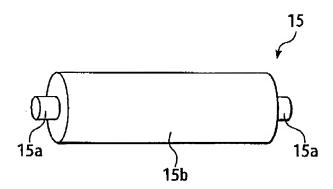


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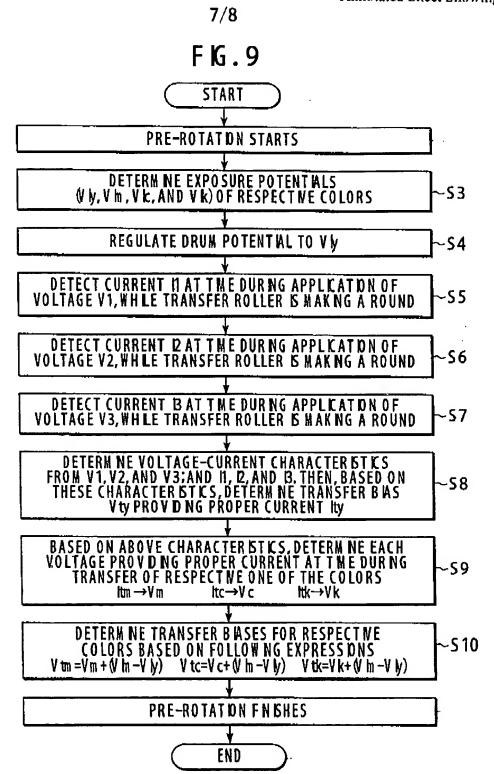
FIG. 8 PRIOR ART



The spacing of the letter "I" is corrected throughout the drawing.

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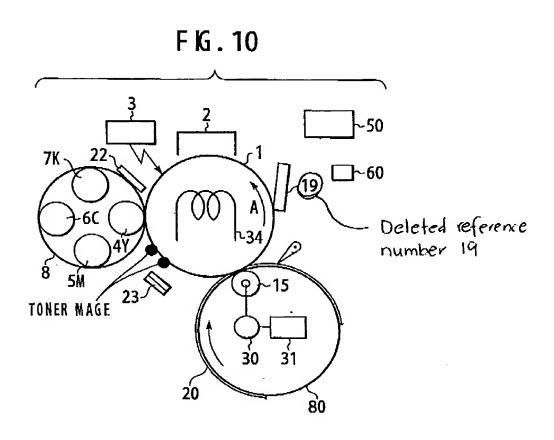
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